Organization Template for Proposal Research Paper

1. Introduction (1/2 page to full page in length)

A. Paragraph One: Quote or story to appeal to reader (this can be lengthy)

B. Background information necessary for reader to understand topic

C. Paragraph two: Necessary definitions, terms, jargon

D. Why this topic is important and relevant

E. Thesis: A should do B because of C.

1. Body (Refuting the opposition)
2. Paragraph One: The counter argument of your topic
3. Cite specific examples, experts, etc.
4. Paragraph Two: Explain why opposition is wrong with researched examples, experts, etc.
5. Briefly transition that there is a problem and it must be solved.
6. Body (Defining the need or problem)
7. Paragraph one: Paint a picture of the problem in concrete and memorable ways
   1. Use support to demonstrate how this need/problem affects the audience and larger society
8. Paragraph two: Explain why the problem or need is significant
9. Paragraph three: Explain why other attempts to address the issue may have failed.
10. Body: Demonstrate how your proposal and solutions are correct
11. Paragraph one: how proposal addresses the need
12. Paragraph two: how proposal is feasible
13. Paragraph three: how proposal will improve readers’ lives and will improve the future of our community/world
14. Paragraph four: how the solution/proposal can be done with resources available.
15. Paragraph five: Evidence that proposal will effectively address the need or solve the problem and that it is workable
16. Conclusion
17. Paragraph one: Restate the thesis, review the important points
18. Paragraph two: Draw a final conclusion-memorable quote optional

C. Paragraph three: Tell the reader what the call to action must be: What is reader to do now?: immediately and in the long-term.